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Re: NEW PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No.: 4609 Inventor: Wilhelm LUTZER

Title: Apparatus and Method for Thermal

Sterilization of Liquids

## Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a NEW PATENT APPLICATION comprising:

a) 12 consecutive pages of written description;

7 consecutive pages with 22 claims, 3 independent;

\_1 page with an abstract;

 $\frac{1}{2}$  sheet with  $\frac{1}{2}$  Fig. of drawings;

b) a Fax copy of the Declaration, Power of Attorney with 3 pages;

c) an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449,

1 reference, 1 English Abstract;

d) return receipt postcard;

- Form PTO-2038 for (\$806.00) to cover the filing fee. Any fee deficiency or additional fee may be charged to Deposit Account No.: 50-0507.
- 2) The Priority of an earlier application:

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is hereby expressly claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119. Please acknowledge the priority claim.

3) All correspondence for this application is to be sent to: CUSTOMER NO. 021553.

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